

## HAND IN HAND THEY WORK FOR UPLIFT OF ALL

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piece of Virginia tradition and Virginia sentiment.

The Man Who Made It.

2. There is another reason why I am glad to have this opportunity to-night. It opens the way for me to speak a word concerning the character and worth of the great man who made The Times-Dispatch what it is to-day. During this generation Virginia has given birth to no man whose life and character contributed more to the quality and breed of our race than did the life and character of Joseph Bryan. It is true that I knew him only as a younger man learns to know a towering figure of the generation just ahead of him. But on more than one occasion I had opportunity to test his greatness of heart and his justness of spirit. Here was a man of fearless courage, of the highest sense of honor, of the strictest probity of life, who made a right start in life, and who kept going right until the end. Here was a man of serene temper, of fire and strength of purpose, and of unwavering faith in God and his fellowmen. Here was a man who, in Carlyle's phrase, "could observe closely, imagine vividly and reason accurately." Here was a man who never hesitated to advocate and do the right as he saw it, and who was willing to let the consequences take care of themselves. Here was a man who offered his young life on the altar of his native State, and who, when disaster came, struggled on in sympathy and in helpfulness with his people.

Here was a man who was "proven" fine steel by the ordeal of fire, and who bore himself as bravely in battle, and laid down his sword as freely from stain as did any son of Virginia in those days that tested our mettle and our manhood. Here was a man who fixed his life upon a mount of faith, and with spirit vexed by no bitter memory of wrong or hardship, faced the future hopefully, and sought to bring to the South an era of wanting intolerance and of industrial power. Here was a man who had been trained in that great spirit school, in which charity and breadth of view are required, and not objective studies. Here was a man who, though he had acquired wealth, never descended to the syntheses of vulgar profit, but always put the man first and his money second. Here was a man whose neither wealth nor fortune nor hope of reward ever tempted to desert his cause or to abate one jot or one tittle of that supreme loyalty of soul that attached him to the memories and to the heroes of that testing time that summoned to our defense the flower and chivalry of the knighthood of Virginia. Here was a man who did not think it necessary to be false to his first love in order to be true to the second. Here was a Virginian "to the manner born," a Southerner, an American, whose life was strengthened by an unbroken stream of devotion and service, and whose influence will abide, not merely as a rich tradition and a noble memory, but as a fragrant reality, in the hearts of our people.

### The Newspaper and the College.

There is still another reason why I am glad to have this opportunity to-night. I want to say to the newspaper men of Virginia and North Carolina that, in the essence of the matter, there are points of sympathy and kinship in the mission of the high-minded newspaper and that of the college. There are times when each is engaged in supplementing, reinforcing and strengthening the work of the other. There are, of course, points of differ-

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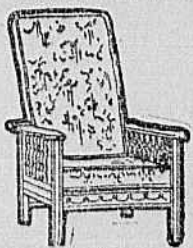
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once, in method, in form, in content, in purpose, and in the end attained. To-night I desire to lay the emphasis upon the points of agreement rather than upon the points of difference.

(a) You are engaged in ascertaining and reporting facts; so are we. You are engaged in educating the many along a few lines, while we are engaged in educating the few along many lines. You are engaged directly in creating and fashioning public sentiment, while we are engaged indirectly in performing exactly the same service by sending out trained men, who are to become leaders of public sentiment in the communities to which they go. This, as I conceive it, is one of the highest duties of college men. A great German statesman once said: "The thought and the ideal of Germany to-morrow." That is the standard set and the desire cherished by our American colleges.

In order to accomplish this end they are training men, who not only know how to lead public sentiment, but who are taught that it is their duty to do

so. Such is the basis of the college appeal to patriotism. It requires its champions to study all public questions in this spirit, and to reach all final judgments by this method. It is the college and the right-minded newspaper that must give, each in its own way, a bolder emphasis to independence of thought concerning social and economic questions, and I may add, a higher tone to political discussion and a higher conception of political service.

For Commercial Greatness. (c) You are striving to hasten the great economic and material development of our section; so are we. Your method is publicity. Our method is to train the leaders in engineering in commerce, in law, in science, in technology—the men to plan, to organize and to direct our marvelous industrial future. May I say that it is also the duty of the college to temper the commercial spirit of the day, and to direct its energy into safe channels lest it run away with us? Success in money-making is to-day, in many quarters, being set up as the ultimate test of a man's ability and worth. "An acre in Utopia" is a maxim of the time in which we are living. To determine which nation shall be greatest, many men are to-day summoning the statistician and the surveyor. President Gilman, just before his death, is said to have remarked: "Our age is possessed of the statistical devil."

I believe that it is a sacred duty of the college to resist this tendency to reduce all values to one crude and sordid level. This does not mean that the college would impede our economic and industrial growth. I have already said that it is earnestly striving to hasten it. It only means that it would

temper it and steady it and inform it with an ordered sense of economic honor and of industrial self-respect. It does not mean that the college would strive to hinder the South's onward march to commercial power. It means that the college would establish it upon a high and an enduring basis. Any other foundation is as

a house that is built upon the sand. I do not believe that the South desires to get rich upon any foundation of selfishness and dishonesty. Such riches would be merely as a millstone hanged about her neck. (d) Your work, if rightly done, is helping to establish a higher ethical standard in business, in society, in

government; so is the work of the college. Here again your method is publicity. Our method is to train picked men and send them forth to make warfare for moral right. My plea for college training is not that it increases the earning capacity, or that it contributes to personal fame and fortune. My plea for college training rests upon the influence it exerts, directly and indirectly, upon the individual, upon the home, upon society, upon church and upon state. Money can be made without education, but it cannot be made without high character, and without lofty faith. Horace Greeley was right when he said: "Fame is a vapor; popularity an accident; wealth a fleeting vanity. Character alone endures." The college is trying to endow society with its richest asset: a high and unchanging ethical standard.

In this effort the right-minded newspaper is its ally. It is the glory of the newspaper that in performing this service it can directly reach all classes and directly influence all conditions of men.

### A Closing Word.

In conclusion, I have just this word concerning the college and the newspaper: First, concerning the college, it must stand, as never before, for service, as well as for scholarship. It must give, as never before, to a thirsty world the lofty faith, the unquenchable hope and the superabundant energy of the life which culture crowns. It must give to society not merely the man who can perform a definite, specific task, but also the man of such enlargement of spirit and such capacity for a large and catholic view that his task will neither belittle him nor crush him; the man who enlarges and dignifies his task; the man of sober discipline, of moral efficiency and of catholic view; the man who will help to blaze the way in all the great achievements that are destined to distinguish the age in which we live.

Finally, concerning the newspaper, it must stand, as never before, for service as well as for publicity. It must give, as never before, to a thirsty world the sane and tempered force that will lift the public impulse, quicken the public conscience, and elevate the public desire. In performing this high service, I bid The Times-Dispatch godspeed. May it ever prosper in its way.

### President Alderman Speaks.

Following in the same vein of thought outlined by President Denny, President Edwin A. Alderman, of the University of Virginia, painted a glowing picture of the educational progress of the new South, a battle which, he claimed, was now all but won, the honors of the victory being broadly divided between the better colleges and the higher grade newspapers. He said that the Times-Dispatch had accomplished much for the education and material progress of Virginia, and whose present leadership means much to the State. Continuing a eulogy of the press, he said: "After all the press is the most suggestive of American institutions. The faults of the nation are reflected in its characteristics, and so also in large measure are the virtues of the American people exemplified in the leading newspapers. Of American thought, amounting in their composite to the equal of a great national university, accessible and utilized by all the people. 'What the power of the nobility was in feudal times, what the pulpit was in the middle of the last century in forming public opinion, that is, in some measure, the leadership of the press to-day. Much of the fate of our American institutions depends on the character of the men who with brain and will

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